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10 a.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

South Sudan

Other matters

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

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Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon — Press briefing by the Spokesperson

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Programme of work

Since the issuance of the revised programme of work and schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly (A/INF/66/3/Rev.1), the following changes have been made:

Agenda items 12 (Global road safety crisis), 34 (Prevention of armed conflict) and its sub-item (a) (Strengthening the role of mediation in the peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution), 35 (Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development) and 39 (The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan), originally scheduled for Monday, 12 December 2011, will be considered at a later date in the resumed part, to be announced.

The specific meeting focused on development, to be held under agenda item 117 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit), pursuant to resolution 60/265, has been postponed from Friday, 18 November 2011, to a date in the resumed part, to be announced.

Additional scheduling of items or changes in the programme of work will be announced in the *Journal* and on the Web site of the General Assembly <www.un.org/en/ga/info/meetings/66schedule.shtml>, and will be reflected in revised versions of the note by the President of the General Assembly.

General Assembly

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

Informal briefings

The Department of Field Support and the Department of Peacekeeping Operations will provide informal briefings, to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations, as follows:

Monday, 9 January 2012, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB): deterrence; use of force; and operational readiness and training; and

Thursday, 12 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB): safety and security; Joint Operations Centre (JOC)/Joint Mission Analysis Cells (JMAC); and crisis management.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

The 255th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Thursday, 12 January 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB). Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; room M-13052; fax 1 (212) 963-6430). The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public. Delegations of Member States are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5). Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board

First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 24, to Wednesday, 25 January 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.1*.

Documentation for the session is available on the Web site of the UN-Women <www.unwomen.org/about-us/governance/executive-board/>.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (rocio.torres@unwomen.org), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

The election of the Bureau of the first regular session of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held on Tuesday, 17 January 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB). The election will be followed by an informal pre-session meeting on matters to be taken up by the Board, from 4 to 6 p.m.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Organizational session for 2012

The Economic and Social Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday, 10 January 2012, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), to elect the President and other members of its Bureau for 2012. The Secretary-General will address the Council. The provisional annotated agenda for the organization session is contained in document E/2012/2.

Commission for Social Development

Informal briefing

The Chair of the fiftieth session of the Commission for Social Development, H.E. Mr. Jorge Valero (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela), will hold an informal briefing, for all interested delegations, on the programme of work of the fiftieth session of the Commission, on Monday, 16 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Fiftieth session

The fiftieth session of the Commission for Social Development will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 10 February 2012. The opening meeting will take place on Wednesday, 1 February, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda and the proposed organization of work are contained in document E/CN.5/2012/1. Further information on the fiftieth and previous sessions of the Commission is available at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CommissionforSocialDevelopment/Sessions/2012.aspx>.

Participation and seating arrangements

Members of the Commission, as well as observers, who wish to participate are requested to inform the Secretary of the Commission, Ms. Radhika Padayachi, of the composition of their delegations (e-mail padayachi39@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Due to the limited number of seats available for observers (including Member States that are not members of the Commission) in Conference Room 4 (NLB), only observers who will communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat, by *Friday, 27 January 2012*, will be provided a nameplate on the floor of Conference Room 4 (NLB). All others will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis.

General discussion and list of speakers

General discussion under agenda item 3 (a) (Priority theme: poverty eradication) will begin on Wednesday, 1 February 2012, following the opening of the session. For further details, please consult the programme of work in Annex I to document E/CN.5/2012/1.

The list of speakers will be opened on Monday, 16 January 2012. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should inform Ms. Isabel Alejandrino accordingly (e-mail alejandrino@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that according to past practice, statements made by individual Member States should not exceed *seven minutes*, statements made on behalf of a group of States should not exceed *ten minutes*, and statements made by observers should not exceed *five minutes*. Delegates are requested to bring 250 copies of statements for general distribution or at least 30 copies for distribution to conference services.

Participation of non-governmental organizations

Comprehensive information on the participation of non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council in the work of the Commission can be found at the following address: <http://social.un.org/index/CivilSociety/NGOParticipation/CSocD50Session.aspx>.

List of side events

To consult the list of side events on the occasion of the fiftieth session of the Commission, please click here.

United Nations Children's Fund

First regular session 2012

The 2012 first regular session of the Executive Board of UNICEF will take place from Tuesday, 7, to Friday, 10 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/1. The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

The election of the officers of the Executive Board of UNICEF for 2012 will be held on Wednesday, 18 January 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The election will be followed by an informal consultation on the thematic discussion on focus area 3 (HIV/AIDS and children), from 4 to 6 p.m.

The 2012 first regular session will be preceded by an informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the Executive Board on Friday, 27 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

Advance documentation for the session is available on the following Web site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_59924.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to send their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; fax 1 (212) 326-7096), as early as possible, but no later than *Friday, 20 January 2012*.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

First regular session 2012

The first regular session 2012 of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will be held from Wednesday, 1, to Friday, 3 February 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2012/L.1.

Member States, as well as observers and other organizations attending the session, are requested to e-mail their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board (marcela.romero@undp.org), as early as possible, but no later than *Monday, 23 January 2012*.

The session will be preceded by an informal consultation on matters to be taken up at the first regular session of the Board, on Monday, 16 January 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS, UNICEF, WFP and UN-Women will take place on Monday, 30, and Tuesday, 31 January 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

According to its decision 2006/14, the Board decided that, prior to the convening of the joint meeting, the new Bureau should be selected, and therefore there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS, on Monday, 9 January 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Working Group of the General Assembly on the Reform of the Human Rights Treaty Bodies" (under agenda item 124) (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Monday, 9 January 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB);

Thursday, 12 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB);

Monday, 16 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB); and

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

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Group of Friends United against Human Trafficking (at the expert level)

Tuesday, 10 January 2012, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB).

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau (at the ambassadorial level)

Wednesday, 11 January 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

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International expert group meeting on the theme "Combating violence against indigenous women and girls: Article 22 of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples" (organized by the Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, Division of Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 18, to Friday, 20 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Talei Cama, Secretariat of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues (e-mail cama@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-1295 or 1 (917) 367-5100; fax 1 (917) 367-5102).]

Workshop on "The trade dimension of Rio+20: Unpacking the issues" (co-organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and the Economic Commission for Latin American and the Caribbean (ECLAC))

Thursday, 19 January 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

[The meeting is open to all permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For registration and further information, please visit <www.unctad.org/greeneconomy>; or contact UNCTAD (e-mail trade.environment@unctad.org).]

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English, on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Introduction to United Nations documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 24 January 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Monday, 30 January 2012.

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies (January–April 2012)

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies are pleased to invite delegates to the UNITAR Programme at the Yale School. The Programme is open to all members of permanent missions and permanent observer missions. For further information and application, please visit the following Web site: <www.unitar.org/ny/international-law-and-policy/fellowship-at-yale-Environmental-studies>. For additional queries, please contact Ms. Soukeyna Fall, UNITAR (e-mail falls@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, 2012

Applications for the 2012 United Nations International Law Fellowship Programme, scheduled to be held at the Peace Palace in The Hague, Netherlands, from Monday, 9 July, to Friday, 17 August 2012, are now being accepted. The deadline for applications is *Friday, 10 February 2012*.

The Fellowship Programme will be conducted in French this year. For further information, including application forms, please consult the International Law Fellowship Programme Web site <www.un.org/law/ilfp>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail ilfp@un.org).

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

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Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

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Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Notification under article 6 (3): Qatar (3 January 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby-Traps and Other Devices as amended on 3 May 1996 (Protocol II as amended on 3 May 1996) annexed to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be Excessively Injurious or to have Indiscriminate Effects. Geneva, 3 May 1996

Consent to be bound: Montenegro (30 December 2011)[1]

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Heavy Metals. Aarhus, 24 June 1998

Accession: Montenegro (30 December 2011)[1]

Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent Procedure for Certain Hazardous Chemicals and Pesticides in International Trade. Rotterdam, 10 September 1998

Accession: Montenegro (30 December 2011)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *January 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Benin
H.E. Mr. Jean-Francis Régis Zinsou

Asia-Pacific States:
Malysia
H.E. Mr. Hussein Haniff

Eastern European States:
Slovenia
H.E. Ms. Sanja Štiglic

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Morejón
Chargé d'affaires

Western European and other States:
Portugal
H.E. Mr. José Filipe Moraes Cabral

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<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

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S/2011/810	Letter dated 29 December 2011 from the Permanent Representative of the Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2011/812	Letter dated 28 December 2011 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2011/813	Letter dated 30 December 2011 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
Economic and Social Council	
	Documents
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E/CN.3/2012/5	Item 3 (c) of the provisional agenda — Items for discussion and decision: national accounts — Report of the Friends of the Chair on the barriers to the implementation of the System of National Accounts 1993 — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *15 pages*

E/CN.3/2012/13	Item 3 (j) of the provisional agenda — Items for discussion and decision — National quality assurance frameworks — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*
E/CN.3/2012/23	Item 4 (d) of the provisional agenda — Items for information: statistics of international trade in services — Report of the Task Force on Statistics of International Trade in Services — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*

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